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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

MANHATTAN, Kan. October 2, 2017 – For the week ending October 1, 2017, an inch or more of rain fell across western and central Kansas, while much of the east received less than one inch, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures were mostly below normal in the west and above normal in the eastern half of the State. There were 3.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 8 percent very short, 29 short, 55 adequate, and 8 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 11 percent very short, 31 short, 57 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was 21 percent, behind 37 last year and 39 for the five-year average. Emerged was 9 percent, near 11 last year, and behind 14 average.

Corn condition rated 5 percent very poor, 13 poor, 31 fair, 39 good, and 12 excellent. Corn mature was 84 percent, behind 90 last year, and near 88 average. Harvested was 39 percent, behind 44 last year and 49 average.

Soybean condition rated 6 percent very poor, 13 poor, 38 fair, 38 good, and 5 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 78 percent, well ahead of 53 last year, and ahead of 61 average. Harvested was 13 percent, ahead of 6 last year, and near 10 average.

Sorghum condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 32 fair, 47 good, and 11 excellent. Sorghum coloring was 94 percent, near 98 last year and 93 average. Mature was 48 percent, behind 61 last year, and near 49 average. Harvested was 7 percent, behind 17 last year and 13 average.

Cotton condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 32 fair, 55 good, and 9 excellent. Cotton setting bolls was 98 percent, near 96 last year, and equal to average. Bolls opening was 49 percent, equal to last year, and near 52 average. Harvested was 4 percent, equal to last year, and near 2 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 32 fair, 52 good, and 10 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried was 83 percent, equal to last year, and near 86 average. Bracts turning yellow was 69 percent, near 67 last year and 68 average. Bracts turning brown was 44 percent, near 42 last year. Harvested was 3 percent, near 4 last year and 5 average.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 89 percent complete, near 88 last year, and ahead of 74 average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 5 percent very poor, 14 poor, 37 fair, 41 good, and 3 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 4 percent very short, 19 short, 76 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Data for this release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service agency and KSU Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at: http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2017/CropProg-10-02-2017.pdf

Access the High Plains Regional Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at: http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at: http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?KS

Days Suitable, Soil Moisture and Crop Progress by District For the Week Ending October 1, 2017

| | NW | WC | SW | NC | С | SC | NE | EC | SE | STATE |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Days Suitable for Fieldwork | 3.1 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 3.4 |
| Topsoil Moisture | Percent | | | | | | | | | |
| Very Short | 2 | 1 | 8 | 17 | 10 | 7 | 16 | 4 | 13 | 8 |
| Short | 23 | 27 | 26 | 43 | 45 | 24 | 30 | 18 | 29 | 29 |
| Adequate | 54 | 61 | 59 | 39 | 40 | 55 | 50 | 76 | 58 | 55 |
| Surplus | 21 | 11 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 14 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| Subsoil Moisture | | | | | | | | | | |
| Very Short | 4 | 1 | 15 | 20 | 19 | 5 | 27 | 2 | 16 | 11 |
| Short | 17 | 23 | 22 | 45 | 52 | 38 | 29 | 27 | 21 | 31 |
| Adequate | 79 | 73 | 63 | 35 | 29 | 56 | 41 | 70 | 63 | 57 |
| Surplus | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Winter Wheat Planted | 23 | 27 | 38 | 12 | 17 | 14 | 9 | 12 | 6 | 21 |
| Winter Wheat Emerged | 9 | 15 | 22 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 9 |
| Corn Mature | 60 | 55 | 90 | 86 | 98 | 96 | 90 | 98 | 98 | 84 |
| Corn Harvested | 15 | 20 | 28 | 25 | 65 | 60 | 33 | 55 | 82 | 39 |
| Sorghum Coloring | 86 | 96 | 99 | 88 | 93 | 94 | 98 | 98 | 93 | 94 |
| Sorghum Mature | 14 | 52 | 59 | 37 | 49 | 59 | 26 | 48 | 73 | 48 |
| Sorghum Harvested | 2 | 3 | 10 | 2 | 8 | 15 | 1 | 6 | 45 | 7 |

Note: District-level soybean estimates will not be published in 2017 due to lack of external funding.

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